#### THE GAILLARD MURDER.

BELATED STATEMENTS FROM EYE WITNESSES OF CRIME.

Iwo Members of Cole Brothers' Circus Crew Write the "Billboard" That They Saw the Shooting and Know Who Killed Ted Gaillard-Say Spivens is Innocent.

mystery that enshrouds the served rather to puzzle and further ers. mystify those who had sought most member of Cole Brothers' circus was the only well established fact, but it was strongly suspected that the murderer was well known to other memand thus to throw the officers off the

was not made out against either of hem-certainly not against both.

Nevertheless they were both found railty with a recommendation to mercy, and sentenced to life imprisonment. Yet it has always been felt that the whole truth was not brought out at the trial and that there were men connected with the Cole Brothere' circus who knew all about the murder and that they could, were they so minded, point out the mur- said. sever and free Spivens and McCoomor. In confirmation of this belief the following letters to the Billboard," the paper which all cirous people read: Shelbyville, Ind., Sept. 6, 1907.

Dear Sir: In a recent issue of the Blidboard a question appeared in the ey Column about the murder of he deputy sheriff of Sumter, S. C. I is the least-gallon paint. will say it occurred on the fifth day It's gallons that cost; it isn't the m't believe that Spivens even saw the more the gallons, the shooting, but it is a certainty that H. Sylow.

En route with Forepaugh-Sells Bros.'

Shelbyville, Ind., Sept. 6, 1907. Dear Sir: In answer to the question in the Billboard's Inquiry Column, issue of Sept. 7, regarding the case of Mr. Spivens, who is serving a life sentence for the murder of a Sumter depwitness of the murder, and the cirsumstances leading up to it. I can say occurred withing ten feet of me I am in a position to know. The shooting curred in Manning. S. C., and Mr. Spivens was arrested in Dishopville. le le innocent.

Trusting that he may get justice done him, I am, Yours truly,

D. W. Winslow, Care the Forepaugh-Sells Bros.

It is rergarkable that these men who claim to know so much about the killing of Ted Gaillard did not come forward at the time Spivens and McCoomer were arrested and give the testimony that would have set them free and enabled the officers of the law to pursue and capture the murderer. It is passing strange that, knowing as much as they claim to know, that they have not taken some steps to put their testimony in shape to save innocent men from unmerited punishment.

\*In most cases consumption results from a neglected or improperly treated cold. Foley's Honey and Tar cures the most obstinate coughs and prevents serious results. It costs you no more than the unknown preparations and you should insist upon having the genuine in the yellow package. Sibert's Drug Store.

J. N. Livingston, of Newberry county, shot and killed Rich Kemp, a negro, on Saturday. The case seems to be one of self-defense.

\*No home is so pleasant, regardless of the comforts that money will buy. as when the entire family is in perfect helath. A bottle of Orino Laxative Fruit Syrup costs 50 cents. It will cure every member of the family of constipation, sick headache or stomach trouble. Sibert's Drug Store.

Twenty-five bales of cotton were burned at Swansea on Saturday. acj swaso mso t f cahstoixe c kh

NEGRO'S BODY FOUND NEAR CITY THIS MORNING.

Warren Smart Went to Sleep on Atlantic Coast, Line Track and Was Run Over Early This Morning.

While Commodore Council, colored was coming to his work early Monday morning, walking on the Coast Line near the Sumter Brick Works, he came across the body of a dead nemurder of Ted Gaillard at Manning gro lying at the side of the track. The on the night of October 5th of last dead negro's head was cut open on year has never been cleared up, the the left side and his skull was crushtrial of George Spivens, white, and ed. Council came on to the city and McCoomer; colored, having reported the matter to Coroner Flow-

Coroner Flowers immediately went carnestly and diligently for a clue to the scene, which was about two that would lead to apprehension and miles from the city, between the Sumpunishment of the man who fired the ter Brick Works and New Sumter. A fatal shot. That the murderer was a jury was empanelled and the witnesses summoned.

James Smart, colored, testified to meeting the deceased last night and talking with him. Charles Williams, pers of the circus crew and that they colored, testified that he saw the dedid everything within their power to ceased about 9 o'clock last night shield him, to aid him to elude arrest, sleeping on the railway tracks and that John English woke him up. Commodore Council told of his finding Spivens and McCoomer were arrest- the body this morning about 6.30 ed on suspicion, and at their trial the o'clock. Dr. H. M. Stuckey testified evidence was circumstantial and so that the negro's skull was crushed and conflicting in many particulars that to his forehead mashed by some blunt a great many it seemed that a case instrument, or similar object, and that this caused his death.

The jury brought in a verdict that the decease, Warren Smart, came to his death by being struck by an Atlantic Coast Line train.

From all appearances, it was a case of negligence on the part of the deceased in falling asleep on the railway tracks. His head was very near the rail when found. The railroad authorities will bury the body, it is

> Letter to Dr. A. J. China. Sumter, S. C.

Dear Sir: A bank messenger lost s small coin. He set his bag down and looked for it. Found it, but somebodyelse had run-off with his bag.

A man who is going to paint had better look-out for his gallons. Devoe

October, 1905, in Manning, S. C. I price of a gallon. With one paint, 10 mw the shooting, which was done by gallons is plenty; another 11 or 12 or a segro, whose name I do not know, 13 and so on to 22 gallons; and every non do I know what became of the gallon has to be paid-for and painted This man Spivens was arrest- -\$2 to \$4 a day for painting paint d the next day at Bishopville, S. C. stuffed-out with some sort of white- in selling Hyomei under an absolute soon as the holidays of the office He got a life sentence, I believe. I wash. The less the price of a gallon,

Bank messengers better look-out he is innocent. I was with Cole for their bags and not stop to hunt Brothers in 1906. Very respectfully, for small coin; and property-owners better look-out for the gallons that make the expense, and not for the

> F. W. DEVOE & CO P. S .- Durant Hardware Company sells our paint.

Yours truly

Quiusy. Sprains and Swellings Cured. "In November, 1901, I caught cold uty sheriff, would say that I was a and had quinsy. My throat was swollen so I could hardly breathe. I applied Chamberlain's Pain Balm and it gave me relief in a short time. In settively that Spivens was in no wise two days I was all right," says Mrs. cted with it. The deed was L. Cousins, Otterburn, Mich. Chamdone by a negro, and as the shooting berlain's Pain Balm is a liniment and is especially valuable for sprains and swellings. For sale by DeLorme's Pharmacy.

> The Corinth school house near Sa luda, has been destroyed by fire, and it is thought to have been of incendiary origin.

\*Henry E. Jones. of Tampa, Fla. writes: "I can thank God for my present health, due to Foley's Kidney Cure. I tried doctors and all kinds of kidney cures, but nothing done me much good till I took Foley's Kidney Cure. Four bottles cured me, and have no more pain in my back and shoulders. I am 62 years old, and suffered long, but thanks to Foley's Kidney Cure I am well and can walk and enjoy myself. It is a pleasure to recommend it to those needing a medicine." kidney Sibert's Drug

Harry Chernock, a tailor, stabbed his wife, to death and then jumped from a window in New York, dying almost instaintly.

How to Cure a Cold.

\*The question of how to cure cold without unnecessary loss of time s one in which we are all more or less interested, for the quicker a cold is gotten rid of the less the danger of pneumonia and other serious dis-Mr. B. W. L. Hall, of Waverly, Va., has used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for years and says: "I firmly believe Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to be absolutely the best preparation on the market for colds. I have recommended it to my friends and they all agree with me." For sale by De-Lorme's Pharmacy.

The two-year-old son of A. E. Nowell, of Charleston, fell from a second story plazza and strange to say was not killed. The infant escaped with a broken arm.

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RUN OVER BY BICYCLE.

Mrs. Olivia Green Scriously Injured Bicycle Riders in This City are Often by Reckless Rider on Last Friday

While on her way home on last Friday evening, Mrs. Olivia Green was run over by a bicycle rider on West Calhoun street. She was knocked down and sustained a fracture of the hip bone, which is a rather serious injury for a woman of her age. Mr. George Ricker happened along in his automoble about the time of the accident and carried Mrs. Green to her boarding house. Dr. J. A. Mood was called in to attend her and is still caring for the unfortunate patient. He said this morning that he could not tell yet how serious the injury may

Mrs. Green said that the rider of bicycle had no lantern and she did not see him. The police have the name of the young man who caused the accident and some action will be taken in the case shortly. This is but another instance of the careless riding of wheels in this city in open violation of the law and prosecution will probably follow.

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D. S. Thomas, an Anderson mill operative, shot, but not seriously wounded, Miss Geneva Evans, a pretty opeprice which has nothing to do with it rative on last Sunday afternoon. He is now in jail.

> \*A weak stomach, causing dyspepsia, a weak heart with palpitation or intermittent pulse, always weak stomach nerves or weak heart nerves. Strengthen these inside or controlling nerves with Dr. Shoop's Restorative and see how quickly these ailments disappear. Dr. Shoop of Racine. Wis., will mail samples free. Write for them. A test will tell. Your health is certainly worth this simple trial. Sold by Sibert's Drug Store.

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The County Messenger, of Hartsville, has been bought by Messrs. T. H. and L. W. Coker.

WHY SO WEAK?

Kidney Troubles May be Sapping Your Life Away-Sumter People Have Learned This Fact.

When a healthy man or woman begins to run down without apparent cause, becomes weak, languid, depressed, suffers backache, headache, dizzy spells and urinary disorders, look to the kidneys for the cause of it all. Keep the kidneys well and they will keep you well. Doan's Kidney Pills cure sick kidneys and keep them well. W. R. Kitlam, living in Florence,

S. C., says: "Doan's Kidney Pills did me, more good than any other remedy I ever used. They cured me of a very lame back and a bad attack of headache from which I suffered for a long while, and could not find any Several times I way to relieve it. could not work on account of my back, and the dull, heavy pain took all the strength out of me so that I could hardly stand up straight, much The kidney secretions were strong, dark, thick and confained a sediment if left to stand. I used lifferent remedies, but without any beneficial effect at all until I Doan's Kidney Pills, I was very much surprised at the result obtained from their use. My backache left me, the cidney secretions cleared up. strong smell left them and my back became stronger than it had been for a long time. I give all the credit for Plenty more proof like this from

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RECKLESS RIDING SHOULD STOP.

Reckless and the Police are Watch-

Many of the bicycle riders of this city are often very reckless in their riding, either going two swiftly or not paying enough attention to their course in pasing pedestrians. The police force are on the look out for all violators of the bicycle ordinance and for reckless riding. They cannot be everywhere at once and watch all the streets in the city, but they are doing their best to enforce the laws on the subject and all offenders had better be on the alert.

Sumter is a great "wheel" town, but there is no need of the devotees of the bicycle trying to "hog" the sidewalks. Several complaints have been made of late in regard to this matter and several accidents have occurred, also. Of course, the business man or woman and the person with any judgment at all will not ride in a reckless manner, but there are many young boys, both white and colored, who seem to have no regord for personal rights in this matter. The police, as already mentioned, are on the lookout and this reckless and careless riding will be stopped after a few examples are made of some of the offenders.

POSTMASTER SHORE TO GIVE BETTER SERVICE.

Office will be Charge of Night Clerk Soon and Patrons May Get Mail From Boxes During the Night.

A few days ago, there appeared in the Item an article in regard to complaints being made that the postoffice lobby was not open at night and traveling men and others could not get to their lock boxes for their mail until the next morning. It has been customary to close the outer doors after 9 o'clock at night and this was done by order of the postoffice inspectors.

Postmaster Shore said this morning that no complaints had ever been made to him in regard to the matter and that he had been trying to remedy the situation for nearly a year, as he had told an Item representative before. He said that he felt sure that within a few days he could give the pople accss to the office at night. As force expire, which will be about October 15, he will put on a night clerk, who will have charge of the office and make up the mail that is deposited during the night.

Of course the general delivery window will not be open at night and the hours will remain the same, but people may go into the lobby to their boxes for their mail and deposic their outgoing mail in the letter boxes. This will be a great improvement over the present situation and all patrons of the office will welcome the news of this change and thank Postmaster Shore for bringing about the improved service.

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"Nearly every one would be benefitted by taking two or three tablespoonfuls of cotton oil a day, for it adds nutrition without distress or repletion, and is a gentle and grateful ubricant to the intestines. "If you are troubled with constipa-

tion the mice of one orange and two tabespoonfuls of cotton oil taken just Buy a so-cent take of Nosena from cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, before retiring will relieve any but a New York, sole agents for the United very obstinate case, and at the same Remember the name-Doan's-and time furnish healthful nutrition,"-No. 57. The State.

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You should see to it that when you buy paints and varnishes for your house, or any part of it, or when you give an order to your painter for any painting and varnishing you want done, that Sherwin-Williams Paints and Varnishes are purchased.

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